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Sir:

Enclosed please find a Response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 5, 2006 for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Madam:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 5, 2006, the Applicants submit the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including an English abstract of a Japanese patent JP 5233426 follows page 23 of this paper.